

WYANDOTTE COUNTY - DESIGNATED CRITICAL HABITATS

BALD EAGLE - *Haliaeetus leucocephalus* (Linnaeus, 1766)

Status: Threatened in Kansas
Threatened Nationally

- (1) All lands and waters within a corridor along the main stem of the Kansas River.
- (2) All Kansas land and waters within a corridor along the main stem of the Missouri River from the confluence of the Kansas River at Kansas City, Wyandotte County to the Kansas/Nebraska border in Sec. 5-T1S-R19E, Doniphan County. The listed stream corridors have outermost boundaries that are along a line 100 yards landward from the stream's ordinary high water mark on each bank.

NORTHERN REDBELLY SNAKE - *Storeria occipitomaculata occipitomaculata* (Storer, 1839)

Status: Threatened in Kansas

All suitable woodland habitat within Wyandotte County. Redbelly Snakes seem to prefer deeply wooded regions near rivers and lakes, sandstone woods, wooded hillsides, hillsides near streams, steep slopes of forested hills, moist areas, moist woodlands, woodlands with dense leaf litter, lowlands, forest edge, open fields, the vicinity of old dilapidated farm buildings, and woodlands which remain damp throughout the year.

LEAST TERN - *Sterna antillarum* (Lesson, 1847)

Status: Endangered in Kansas
Endangered Nationally

PIPING PLOVER - *Charadrius melodus* (Ord, 1824)

Status: Threatened in Kansas
Threatened Nationally

All the waters within a corridor along the main stem of the Kansas River within Wyandotte County are designated for the least tern and piping plover.

SMOOTH EARTH SNAKE - *Virginia valeriae elegans* (Kennicott, 1859)

Status: Threatened in Kansas

All suitable woodland habitat within Wyandotte County. This species prefers open sandstone woods, rocky hillsides in moist woodlands, deciduous forests, wooded urban areas, woodland edge situations, open brushy woodlands without a continuous leaf canopy, and abandoned fields. They are frequently found in thick piles of dead leaves, or beneath leaf litter, flat rocks, logs, and other surface debris, most often near forest-edge or on hillsides with sparse tree cover.

FLATHEAD CHUB - *Platygobio gracilis* (Richardson, 1836)

Status: Threatened in Kansas

STURGEON CHUB - *Macrhybopsis gelida* (Girard, 1856)

Status: Threatened in Kansas

Federal Candidate

Currently, the following areas are designated critical habitat for the flathead and the sturgeon chub:

- (1) All reaches of the main stem of the Kansas River within Wyandotte County are designated for the flathead and sturgeon chubs.
- (2) All reaches of the main stem Missouri River congruent with the Kansas-Missouri border.

CHESTNUT LAMPREY - *Ichthyomyzon castaneus* (Girard, 1858)

Status: Threatened in Kansas

PALLID STURGEON - *Scaphirhynchus albus* (Forbes and Richardson, 1905)

Status: Endangered in Kansas

Endangered Nationally

SICKLEFIN CHUB - *Macrhybopsis meeki* (Jordan and Evermann, 1896)

Status: Endangered in Kansas

Federal Candidate

SILVERBAND SHINER - *Notropis shumardi* (Girard, 1856)

Status: Threatened in Kansas

WESTERN SILVERY MINNOW - *Hybognathus argyritis* (Girard, 1856)

Status: Threatened in Kansas

Currently, the following areas are designated critical habitat for the chestnut lamprey, pallid sturgeon, sicklefin chub, silverband shiner and the western silvery minnow:

All reaches of the main stem Missouri River that are congruent with the Kansas-Missouri border.

